STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA Request for Approval of Agreement for Transportation Service with Firm Gas Standby between South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and Continental Tire The Americas, LLC			BEFORE THE 244128 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COVER SHEET DOCKET NUMBER: 2013 - 185 G SCOUR SHEET NUMBER: 2013 - 185 G OF SOUTH CAROLINA				
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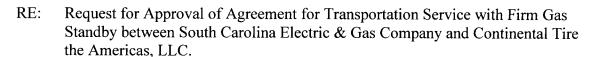
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May 20, 2013

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210



Dear Ms. Boyd:

In March 2012, Continental Tire the Americas, LLC ("Continental") began construction of its new tire plant in Sumter, South Carolina. The plant will manufacture passenger and light truck tires to meet the increasing demand for Continental and General brand tires from both aftermarket business and automotive manufacturers. According to Continental, the first phase of the plant will reach a production capacity of approximately five million units per year in 2017, and the second phase of this project is expected to bring the plant's full production capacity to approximately eight million units per year by 2021. Altogether, Continental anticipates that it will invest more than \$500 million into the Sumter plant and create approximately 1,600 new jobs. As a result of Continental locating its plant in Sumter, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or "Company") and Continental entered into an Agreement for Transportation Service with Firm Gas Standby ("Contract"). Under the Contract, SCE&G will transport natural gas and provide firm gas standby service to Continental. Pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-403 and 103-446 (2012), SCE&G hereby files and seeks approval of the Contract between SCE&G and Continental, with such approval to be made effective as of April 3, 2013.

Due to the commercial sensitivity and proprietary nature of certain provisions of this Contract as well as the highly competitive nature of the industry in which Continental operates, the Company and Continental respectfully request that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") find that the Contract contains protected information and issue a protective order barring the disclosure of this Contract under the Freedom of Information Act, S.C. Code Ann. §§ 30-4-10 et seq., 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-804(S)(1), or any other provision of law. Pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-804(S)(2), the determination of whether a document may be exempt from disclosure is within the Commission's discretion.

To this end, and in accordance with Commission Order No. 2005-226, dated May 6, 2005, in Docket No. 2005-83-A, we enclose with this letter a redacted version of the Contract that protects from disclosure the sensitive, proprietary and commercially valuable information, while making available for public viewing non-protected information. We also enclose a copy of the unredacted Contract in a separate, sealed envelope and respectfully request that, in the event that anyone should seek disclosure of this unredacted Contract, the Commission notify SCE&G of such request and provide it with an opportunity to obtain an order from this Commission or a court of competent jurisdiction protecting the Contract from disclosure.

Enclosed are the following:

- (1) A true and correct copy of the original Contract in a sealed envelope marked "CONFIDENTIAL." Each page of the Contract is also marked "CONFIDENTIAL."
- (2) Ten (10) copies of a redacted copy of the Contract for filing and public disclosure.

By copy of this letter, we are providing the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") with a redacted copy of the Contract for its records. Additionally, SCE&G will make the original, unredacted copy of the Contract available to ORS for its review.

Thank you for your assistance and consideration of this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

K. Chad Burgess

KCB/kms Enclosure

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